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- c. The agency shall arrange for each child to have follow-up medical treatment and/or examinations as recommended by the medical examination.
- d. The agency shall make arrangements with a licensed physician(s) or licensed nurse practitioner to provide ongoing medical treatment for children in care.
- e. The agency shall make arrangements with a licensed hospital for the admission and treatment of children in care.
- f. The agency shall ensure that all staff are trained in CPR annually and First Aid every three (3) years and have a trained staff member on duty where children are present at all times. They shall be trained to administer first aid and cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR).
- g. The agency shall have a first aid kit in each living unit consistent with the guidelines of the American Red Cross. The first aid kit shall be kept locked and inaccessible to children in care.
- h. The agency shall maintain medical and dental records for children in care. The records shall include the dates of all immunizations, examinations and any treatment for specific illnesses or medical emergency.
- i. The agency shall make arrangements with a licensed dentist(s) to provide dental care and all findings should be sent to the Custodial Agency.
- j. The agency shall ensure that each child has a dental examination annually and cleaning every six (6) months and all findings should be sent to the Custodial Agency. The facility shall make arrangements with a licensed dentist(s) to provide dental care.
- k. The agency shall ensure that each child has annual eye and hearing examinations and all findings sent to the Custodial Agency.
- l. The agency shall ensure that each child has a medical examination annually and all findings sent to the Custodial Agency.

- m. The Department shall refer children ages three and under who appear to have been identified as having significant mental or physical developmental delays to the Statewide Early Intervention Program for a comprehensive evaluation and screening. This recommendation can also be made by the agency or in conjunction with the parent, legal guardian.

2. Prescription and Administering of Medication:

- a. The facility shall have and follow written procedures for the prescription, administration of medication, and the disposal of outdated and unused medication. This procedure shall be given to all staff members responsible for prescribing and administering medication.
- b. The facility shall keep all medication in a locked cabinet or in a separate room with a locked door.
- c. A log shall be maintained on all medication administered as well as a youths refusal to take medications. DFCS staff should be notified of all refusals within 24 hours.
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